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2021/22 Catcher Vessel Selection Lists for Observer Coverage for Bering Sea Snow, and Eastern and Western Bering Sea Tanner Crab Fisheries

This advisory announcement lists the catcher vessels randomly selected from preseason vessel registrations for observer coverage during the 2021/22 Bering Sea snow fishery. **For the 2021/22 crab season, ADF&G has modified vessel selection plan for the Eastern and Western Bairdi Tanner crab fisheries. To ensure observer coverage goals are met, all vessels pre-registered for these fisheries have been selected for observer coverage. It is the responsibility of the vessel captain to contact Saltwater Inc. for observer coverage, to include notifying them if you choose not to participate in either fishery. Failure to do so may result in delayed fishing operations or enforcement action.** Total allowable catches (TAC) will be announced in subsequent news releases; this news release does not imply that a fishery will open during the 2021/22 season.

Selected catcher vessels will be required to carry a crab observer during 100 percent of fishing activities in a designated fishery. If a selected vessel does not participate, a vessel from the alternate list may carry an observer. If the alternate list is exhausted during a fishery or in the case of extenuating circumstances, all vessels that are actively fishing may be considered to achieve target observer coverage levels. Late registrants will be required to carry an observer.

Catcher vessel observer costs will be covered using a combination of ADF&G cost-recovery funds and federal funds. The state-contracted observer company, Saltwater Inc., will provide observers for catcher vessels. Processing vessels arrange and pay for their own observer coverage. Provisions are available for catcher-processor vessels to receive reimbursement from ADF&G for 30 percent of observer costs for Bering Sea snow and Tanner crab.

Observers will be equipped with their own rain gear, boots, gloves, survival suit, personal locator beacon, personal flotation device, and personal items.

For vessels that carry observers, some of the regulatory requirements include:

- Display proof of compliance with United States Coast Guard vessel safety requirements;
- Provide food and accommodations equal to that of the vessel's crew;
- Provide daily fishing information and other information specified by ADF&G;
- Provide a safe work area to sample that is not regularly crowded with pots;
- Provide five totes to use at all times for sampling;
- Provide access to email or telephone for weekly catch reporting.

This list is not exhaustive. For a complete listing of requirements see 5 AAC 39.645 (i).

The vessel operator or agent of a selected vessel is responsible for contacting Saltwater Inc at (907) 539-2548 to coordinate observer coverage. Failure to provide a minimum of 10 days prior notice may delay fishing operations.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>

All questions regarding COVID-19 mitigation plans for assigned observers should be directed to Saltwater Inc.

If you have concerns regarding observer coverage requirements, observer performance, or COVID-19 related concerns that are not addressed in the Saltwater Inc. COVID-19 mitigation plans, please contact the Shellfish Observer Program Manager directly at (907) 486-1854.

The lists of catcher vessels and alternate vessels selected to carry crab observers are as follows by fishery:

Bering Sea Snow Crab

Selected Vessels		Alternates	
<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>
Aleutian Lady	56126	Arctic Sea	33636
Saga	11022	Silver Dolphin	00121
Alaska Challenger	04100	Atlantico	00037
Kari Marie	50501	Arctic Mariner	31792
American Lady	00067	Island Mist	61791
Victory	77084	Confidence	06946
Storm Bird	46854	Ocean Fury	00097
Kustatan	60210	Pacific Sounder	00991
Pacific Mariner	00007	Bilikin	20745
Paragon	20734	Alaska Spirit	35949
Valiant	00996	Pinnacle	71174
Kiska Sea	61154	Fierce Allegiance	55111
Seabrooke	36800		
Tempo Sea	40817		
Wizard	35265		
Polar Sea	00303		
Karin Lynn	00524		
Lady Alaska	61351		

Western Bering Sea Tanner Crab

All vessels that preseason registered for Western Bering Sea Tanner crab are listed and should be prepared to carry an observer.

<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>
Alaska Challenger	04100	Marahute	63333
Aleutian Lady	56126	Mystery Bay	62920
Aleutian Mariner	35844	New Venture	00004
Aleutian Sable	72318	Nordic Mariner	00222
American Lady	00067	North Sea	36047
Arctic Lady	37210	Northwestern	29962
Arctic Mariner	31792	Nuka Island	35640
Arctic Sea	33696	Ocean Fury	00097
Atlantico	00037	Pacific Mariner	00007
Ballyhoo	03645	Pacific Sounder	00991
Barbara J	44971	Pacific Sun	35977
Bering Star	04147	Paragon	20734
Billikin	20745	Pinnacle	71174
Brenna A	38923	Polar Sea	00303
Bristol Mariner	08411	Provider	00058
Confidence	06946	Rollo	00030
Constellation	35629	Saga	11022
Farrar Sea	61954	Sandra Five	70770
Farwest Leader	35683	Seabrooke	36800
Guardian	61571	Silver Dolphin	00121
Island Mist	61791	Silver Spray	60860
Kari Marie	50501	Southern Wind	40921
Karin Lynn	00524	Summer Bay	41715
Keta	07189	Tempo Sea	40817
Kevleen K	00960	Titan Explorer	40920
Kiska Sea	61154	Trailblazer	33704
Kodiak	03525	Valiant	00996
Kustatan	60210	Victory	77084
Lady Alaska	61351	Viekoda Bay	57971
Lady Joanne	62922	Wizard	35265

Eastern Bering Sea Tanner Crab

All vessels that preseason registered for Eastern Bering Sea Tanner crab are listed and should be prepared to carry an observer.

<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&G #</u>
Alaska Challenger	04100	Lady Joanne	62922
Aleutian Lady	56126	Marahute	63333
Aleutian Mariner	35844	Mystery Bay	62920
Aleutian Sable	72318	New Venture	00004
American Lady	00067	Nordic Mariner	00222
Arctic Lady	37210	North Sea	36047
Arctic Mariner	31792	Nuka Island	35640
Arctic Sea	33696	Ocean Fury	00097
Atlantico	00037	Pacific Mariner	00007
Ballyhoo	03645	Pacific Sounder	00991
Barbara J	44971	Pacific Sun	35977
Bering Star	04147	Paragon	20734
Billikin	20745	Pinnacle	71174
Brenna A	38923	Polar Sea	00303
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Farrar Sea	61954	Seabrooke	36800
Farwest Leader	35683	Silver Dolphin	00121
Guardian	61571	Silver Spray	60860
Island Mist	61791	Southern Wind	40921
Kari Marie	50501	Summer Bay	41715
Karin Lynn	00524	Tempo Sea	40817
Keta	07189	Titan Explorer	40920
Kevleen K	00960	Trailblazer	33704
Kiska Sea	61154	Valiant	00996
Kodiak	03525	Victory	77084
Kustatan	60210	Viekoda Bay	57971
Lady Alaska	61351	Wizard	35265

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